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SUGARFOOT

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Tom Brewster
intervenes to help friends,
and becomes
the middle man in
a fierce range war

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Masquerade Hero

To prevent an all-out range war, Tom Brewster calls a truce between two old friends in the hope he can expose the person who is guilty of starting the conflict.

But Tom's intervention nearly costs him his life when hired killers try to stop him from learning the truth about a man who is posing as a hero.



Iron Horse Lady

Tom Brewster agrees to help a railroad man's pretty daughter get the cinders and steam out of her blood. By administering a prescription of danger behind the throttle of a big locomotive, he goes along for the ride to see how things will work-out. When train robbers strike, he finds himself in a hazardous struggle for survival.

SLIDEFOOT

MASQUERADE HERO

TOM SWICORD, THE YOUNG
MAN WHO IN "SUGARPOOT"
STARTS ACROSS A NARROW
STREAM ON HIS OWN COUNTRY

THEME 2
ONE OF
YOU

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TOM SPACE HAS HOME CONNECTION.

THOSE BULLETS ARE
GETTING CLOSER
EVERY MINUTE.



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AS THE MEN BEGAN TO GET CLOSER...

I'LL NEVER
OUTRUN THEM
SO I'D BETTER
TRY SOME
THING ELSE!



I'D SURE FEEL A
LOT BETTER IF MY
GUNS WEREN'T IN
MY SADDLEBAGS!
THAT'S WHAT I GET
FOR TRYING TO BE
PEACEABLE!



TOM HARDY
DARES TO
BREATHE AS
THE FOUR
MEN RIDE UP
BENEATH
THE TREE...

THAT'S HIS HORSE...
BUT HE'S GONE!

HE MUST BE NOW
AROUND HERE
SOMEPHASE!



CRASH!



HE'S UP IN
THE TREE!

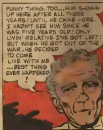
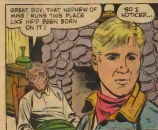
THROW DOWN YOUR
GUNS, MISTER!























THAT NIGHT, AS TOM PREPARES TO GO TO BED...

WONDER WHAT MEAKINS IS DOING
DOWN THERE THIS TIME
OF NIGHT!



TOM SEES GORDON FOWNSHIRE
AND ON TO THE PATIO...

HIS MEETING
SOMEONE...



THAT'S THE SAME MAN BILL
HARTFORD WAS GIVING
ORDERS TO...



NO WONDER HE'S BEEN ABLE
TO KEEP THIS FIGHT GOING...
HE'S GOT A MAN ON THE
OPPOSITE SIDE!



I'VE GOT TO
FIND OUT
WHAT THEY'RE
PLANNING...



TOM QUICKLY SADDLES HIS HORSE.....



AND MOMENTS LATER HE SPURS OUT
TOWARD THE HARTFORD BUNCH...



MEANWHILE, NEAR THE BOUNDARY LINE
BETWEEN THE TWO RANCHES...



THIS OUGHTA FIX
THINGS ONCE AND
FOR ALL...

CROUCHING IN THE BRUSH, CRANDALL AIMS HIS
RIFLE AT SOME OF THE HAWKINS NIGHT
RIDERS...



A SHOT RINGS OUT, AND A MAN
SLUMPS FORWARD...



CRANDALL SHOUTS FROM HIS
CONCEALED POSITION...



MOMENTS LATER...

IT LOOKS LIKE
I'M TOO LATE!



THE HAWKINS CONVOYS TELL TOM OF THE
HARTFORD ATTACK...

...AN' WE'RE NOT HOLDIN'
OFF NOW! THIS MEANS
AN ALL-OUT FANGE
WAR!

PLEASE...
LISTEN TO ME!



THE MAN THAT FIRSTON
YOU WAS WORKING FOR
JEFF HAWKINS... IT'S
ALL A PLAN TO FORCE
YOU TO FIGHT!

WHAT KIND
OF A
STORY ARE
YOU GIVIN'
US,
BREWSTER?



DESPITE TOM'S PLEAS, THE ANGRY
MEN REFUSE TO LISTEN...

WE'RE ORGANIZIN' TONIGHT! HARTFORD'S
MEN ARE GONNA BE RUNNIN' GOOD
BEFORE THIS DAY'S OVER!



TOM KNOWS THERE IS ONE CHANCE
THAT STILL MIGHT STOP THEM...

I JUST HOPE THAT ANSWER
CAME FROM THE ARMY...
IT'S THE ONLY THING
THAT COULD STOP
THEM NOW!



TOM ROUSES THE TELEGRAPH OPERATOR...



FORTUNATELY, LUCK IS WITH SUGARFOOT THIS NIGHT...



TOM QUICKLY SCANS THE MESSAGE...





THE MAN TRIES TO FLEE...



SUGARFOOT

IRON HORSE LADY

A SMALL RAILROAD TRAIN RIPS UP A STEEP MOUNTAIN SLOPE AS FOUR WAGGON HORSEMEN WAIT ITS APPROACH.

HERE SHE COMES, BOYS!

SOON AS IT SLOWS FOR THE CURVE, WE'LL BOARD!

TOOT!
TOOT!

AT THAT MOMENT, ON A NEARBY TRAIL, TOM, WATCHING BEING UP SHARPLY...

OUTLAND! THEY'RE WAITING FOR THAT TRAIN!

TOM SPIES OUT, FIRING A WARNING SHOT... HOPING TO ALERT THE TRAIN'S CREW...

BAM!

THE ENGINEER, LIKE HORSES, HEARS THE WARNING...

FOUR TON LUXE! WE MUST KEEP 'EM AWAY THIS TIME!

LET'S GET OUT OF HERE! WE CAN'T MAKE IT THROUGH THAT MUCH GUNFIRE!

BAM!
BAM!
BAM!

Soon...









AND IN THE SALEROOM OFFICE...





LATER, AT THE HOBBS RANCH HOUSE...





AND SO TO THE SURPRISE OF MANY OF THE PASSENGERS THE BLISS CITY RUN IS TAKEN OUT THE NEXT DAY WITH A GIRL AT THE THROTTLE...



ONE OF THE PASSENGERS, HOWEVER, IS SOMEWAT NERVOUS...



THE TRIP IS UNEVENTFUL, BUT THEN, ON THE WAY BACK THE NEXT DAY...



BEGINNING TO CLOUD UP... LOOKS LIKE RAIN!

LET'S HOPE IT HOLDS OFF TILL WE GET TO SILVER CITY!

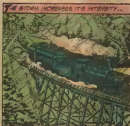


BUT NATURE IS IN NO MOOD FOR WAITING...



YOU SEE ANYTHING?

NOT MUCH... BUT I KNOW THIS ROUTE WITH MY EYES CLOSED! WE'LL MAKE IT!



THE STORM INCREASED ITS INTENSITY...

AND DIANE BRINGS THE TRAIN TO A STOP...



I CAN'T RISK GOING ANY FURTHER, TOM... NOT UNTIL THIS STORM LETS UP!

IF ANY OF THOSE CANYON BALLS WOULD WASH OUT, WE'D BE BURIED IN ROCKS AND GREY! WE'LL JUST HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL DAWN...

WHATEVER YOU SAY... YOU'RE THE ENGINEER!





FAIRLEY, JUST BEFORE DAWN, THE STORM IS OVER...



THE EARLY DAWN BEGINS WITH THE SOUNDS OF GUNFIRE AS THE OUTLANDS BATTLE!
FOR POSITION...



THE BATTLE CONTINUES AS ONE OF THE
OUTLANDS IS HIT BY A BULLET...



THEN ANOTHER...



THE REMAINING BANDITS HURRY TO FLEE...



TOM BREWSTER TAKES UP THE CHASE....



**AT THE TRAIN, THE GUARDS TAKE CHARGE
OF THE WOUNDED OUTLAWS...**



**NEARBY, TOM CLOSES IN ON THE REMAINING
TRAIN BANDITS...**



ONE OF THE MEN IS HIT...



THE LAST MAN TRIES DESPERATELY TO
FLEE UP A STEEP SLOPE...



TOM
MAKES A
STUNNING
LUNGE...



SOCK!



POW!



A SHORT TIME LATER...



"I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU, TOM! WE'RE ALL READY!"

"HOW DID YOU KNOW TO WHEN GET THEM?"

"I WAS NEVER EVEN WORRIED ABOUT IT...ANY MORE THAN I WAS WORRIED ABOUT NOT DOING A GOOD JOB AS ENGINEER!"

"POSSIBLE YOUNG LADY...YOU ARE THE MOST AMAZING CONFIDENT THING I'VE EVER SEEN!"

AN EXCITED AND ANXIOUS GROUP OF CITIZENS AWAIT THE ARRIVAL OF THE LONG-DELAYED TRAIN...



"SHE'S BRINGING HER IN...AND CHILD SAFE!"

"SHE'LL HAVE A LOT OF EXPLAINING TO DO ABOUT BEING SO FAR BEHIND SCHEDULE!"

BUT, AFTER THE OFFICIALS HEAR THE COMPLETE REPORT...



"IT WAS AMAZING! SHE RAN THE TRAIN LIKE A PROFESSIONAL, FOUGHT THE OUTLAGE AND KEPT EVERYONE UNDER CONTROL! BEST ENGINEER I'VE EVER SEEN!"

"LOOKS LIKE YOU HAVE YOURSELF A JOB, YOUNG LADY!"

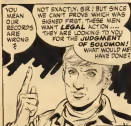
"DON'T KNOW WHY EVERYONE'S SO SURPRISED! WHY, JIM AND TOM KNEW ALL ALONG SHE COULD DO IT!"

A PLEDGE **DELL** TO PARENTS



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THE JUDGMENT OF SOLOMON



Fast Trail West



In 1876, a wave of excitement swept the nation when it was announced that a cast of New York actors planned to cross the country by train in four days, in order to keep an engagement in California.



Train travel had already reached the rapid speed of only seven days from New York to the West coast, and this was considered fast, for it still required many weeks for a stage to go across the country.



After the players gave their last performance on Broadway, they boarded their train the "Lightning Express" in Jersey City, New Jersey. Amid a blast of hands and shouting fans, they began their trip West.



The publicity which preceded the speeding train brought people out in numbers to see it flash by. Much speculation was made as to the split second it would pass through the cities, towns, and hamlets.



Eighty-four hours after its departure and twelve hours less than its published time, the "Express" roared into the Central Pacific's Oakland Pier . . . a record which was not to be broken for many years.



However, the real record belonged to the Central's locomotive number 149, which had hauled the train the 788 miles from Ogden, Utah, to Oakland. Such a run, without changing engines, had not been done before.